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HOUSE MEMORIAL 66

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND THE
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE OF NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY'S
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS COLLABORATE TO
DEVELOP IDEAS, STRATEGIES AND OPTIONS FOR WORKING TOGETHER IN
ORDER TO STRENGTHEN NEW MEXICO COMMUNITIES AND PROTECT NEW
MEXICO'S ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, the department of environment is committed to
protecting and preserving the health and environment of New
Mexico and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the cooperative extension service enables New
Mexicans to improve the quality of their lives and build strong
communities through partnerships that actively apply
agricultural and environmental experience and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, cooperative extension service agents have a

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1 unique relationship with the residents of the state of New
2 Mexico and their respective counties; and

3 WHEREAS, the adoption and enforcement of regulations by
4 the department of environment affects the agricultural and
5 economic activities of New Mexicans, their communities and the
6 environment; and

7 WHEREAS, a joint effort by the department of environment
8 and cooperative extension service agents to develop open
9 communication and to balance inspection, education and outreach
10 programs with the need for environmental regulation would have
11 positive effects for New Mexico;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
13 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department
14 of environment and the cooperative extension service be
15 requested to collaborate to develop a plan with ideas,
16 strategies, options and recommendations for working together in
17 order to strengthen New Mexico communities and protect New
18 Mexico's environment; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the secretary of environment
20 and the associate dean, associate director and the district
21 directors of the cooperative extension service of New Mexico
22 state university's college of agriculture and home economics
23 present a joint report with recommendations that outline ideas,
24 strategies and options for working together to the appropriate
25 interim legislative committee no later than November 1, 2005;

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and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the secretary of environment and the directors of New Mexico's cooperative extension service districts.